Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cebu
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5-I

Series of 2020

IMPLEMENTING AN IMMEDIATE BAN ON THE ENTRY OF DOMESTIC PASSENGERS FROM THE ISLAND OF NEGROS

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) has considered the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) health event as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, on the same date, Secretary Francisco T. Duque III, the Secretary of Health, confirmed the first imported COVID-19 case in the Philippines;

WHREAS, on March 8, 2020, President Rodrigo R. Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation No. 922 declaring a state of public health emergency throughout the Philippines;

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the WHO has considered and declared the COVID-19 health event a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emergency Infectious Diseases comprised of the DOH, DFA, DILG, DOJ, DOT, DOTr, and DICT issued Resolution No. II approving protocols to be observed relative to the COVID-19 outbreak that include the suspension of land, domestic air, domestic sea travel to and from Metro Manila effective midnight of March 15, 2020;

WHEREAS, there is a necessity to support efforts of Metro Manila in order to further suppress the spread of the COVID-19;

WHEREAS, as of March 14, 2020, there have been ninety-eight (98) confirmed cases of the COVID-2019 in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, on even date, I issued Executive Order No. 5-E and Executive Order No. 5-F regulating the arrival of domestic passengers into the Province of Cebu;

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the confirmed case of COVID-2019 in Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental expired;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **GWENDOLYN F. GARCIA,** Governor of the Province of Cebu, by virtue of the powers and authority vested in me by law, do hereby order the **IMMEDIATE BAN**, for a period of thirty (30) days, on the entry of all domestic passengers arriving in Cebu via sea travel from all ports of **THE ISLAND OF NEGROS** that includes **DUMAGUETE CITY.**

Returning Cebuanos who are in transit back or whose vessel has just arrived in Cebu upon the effectivity of this Executive Order shall be allowed entry thereof, however, they shall be required to undergo mandatory quarantine for a period of (14) days pursuant to the established protocols on home quarantine.

Local Chief Executives (LCE) and Barangay Captains are directed to ensure the strict compliance of the protocols on home quarantine by the concerned individual. The Philippine National Police and the Armed Forces of the Philippines are requested to assist the LCEs in the implementation of the same.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its issuance.

SO ORDERED.

The Provincial Capitol, Cebu City, Philippines, March 15, 2020.

BY:

GWENDOLYN F. GARCIA
Governor